

Renewing Your Covenant with God (Nehemiah 8-10)

Sermon Devotional

Series - Rebuilding: Life Tools from Ezra-Nehemiah

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1. When you pray, do you usually bow your head?
2. Do you believe that the position of your body in worship (such as bowing down or uplifting hands) is important? Why or why not?

Digging Deeper

3. Read Nehemiah 8-10 or access Pastor David's message at broadviewchurch.com/media.
4. In Nehemiah 8:5-6, all of the people stood up when the Scriptures were read, raised their hands to bless the Lord, and knelt low with their faces to the ground in worship of him. What do these actions say about the hearts of the people?
5. In Nehemiah 8:9, the people were weeping when they heard the reading of the Scriptures. Why do you think they reacted this way?
6. As Nehemiah 9:1-2 indicates, later in the month the Israelites engaged in mourning and repentance, and they confessed their sins. Why is repentance and confession necessary when someone is renewing their covenant with God?
7. Beginning in Nehemiah 9:5, the Levites prayed and remembered the actions of God from creation until their own day. What does this kind of action accomplish?

Bringing It Home

8. Are you in need of renewing your covenant with God?
 9. Are you willing to bow before the Lord in worship and confess your sins to him?
 10. What specific things has God done that deserve praise?
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